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## **News Release**

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## **Increase in Tribal Gaming Contributions for Fourth Consecutive Quarter**

PHOENIX – Arizona Department of Gaming announced today that tribal contributions to the state from gaming revenue will be approximately \$24.5 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2011. This is a 7.1% increase from the same quarter of last year.

"For those hoping to see an increase in Tribal contributions to the state, today's news is encouraging," said Mark Brnovich, Director of Arizona Department of Gaming. "While a full economic recovery will take some time, the trend line is moving in a positive direction."

The quarterly tribal contributions in the State Arizona Benefits Fund will be distributed as follows:

Instructional Improvement Fund/Education:	\$12,199,160
Trauma and Emergency Services Fund:	\$ 6,099,580
Arizona Department of Gaming operating costs:	\$ 2,202,898
Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund:	\$ 1,742,737
State Tourism Fund:	\$ 1,742,737
Problem Gambling Education, Treatment and Prevention:	\$ 489,533
TOTAL tribal contributions for the quarter ended June 30, 2011:	\$24,476,645

The Arizona Department of Gaming, in partnership with Arizona's tribes, regulates Indian gaming. Under the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact, tribes with casinos contribute one to eight percent of their Class III gross gaming revenue to the state, cities, towns and counties. In Arizona, Class III gaming includes slot machines, jackpot poker, blackjack, keno and off-track pari-mutuel betting. There are currently 22 Class III casinos in the state. Tribes send contributions to the State Arizona Benefits Fund every three months.

For more information or to request an interview with Director Brnovich, contact Rick Medina, Assistant Director of the Arizona Department of Gaming at 602-255-3806.

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